

# General Rotational Surfaces with Pointwise 1-Type Gauss Map in Pseudo- Euclidean Space $E_2^4$

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## Abstract

In this paper, we study general rotational surfaces in the 4- dimensional pseudo-Euclidean space  $E_2^4$  and obtain a characterization of flat general rotation surfaces with pointwise 1-type Gauss map in  $E_2^4$  and give an example of such surfaces.

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## 1 Introduction

A pseudo- Riemannian submanifold  $M$  of the  $m$ -dimensional pseudo-Euclidean space  $E_s^m$  is said to be of finite type if its position vector  $x$  can be expressed as a finite sum of eigenvectors of the Laplacian  $\Delta$  of  $M$ , that is,  $x = x_0 + x_1 + \dots + x_k$ , where  $x_0$  is a constant map,  $x_1, \dots, x_k$  are non-constant maps such that  $\Delta x_i = \lambda_i x_i$ ,  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  are all different, then  $M$  is said to be of  $k$ -type. This definition was similarly extended to differentiable maps in Euclidean and pseudo-Euclidean space, in particular, to Gauss maps of submanifolds [6].

If a submanifold  $M$  of a Euclidean space or pseudo-Euclidean space has 1-type Gauss map  $G$ , then  $G$  satisfies  $\Delta G = \lambda(G + C)$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and some constant vector  $C$ . Chen and Piccinni made a general study on compact submanifolds of Euclidean spaces with finite type Gauss map and they proved that a compact hypersurface  $M$  of  $E^{n+1}$  has 1-type Gauss map if and only if  $M$  is a hypersphere in  $E^{n+1}$  [6].

However the Laplacian of the Gauss map of several surfaces and hypersurfaces such as a helicoids of the 1st,2nd and 3rd kind, conjugate Enneper's surface of the second kind in 3- dimensional Minkowski space  $E_1^3$ , generalized catenoids,

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spherical n-cones, hyperbolical n-cones and Enneper's hypersurfaces in  $E_1^n$  take the form namely,

$$\Delta G = f(G + C) \quad (1)$$

for some smooth function  $f$  on  $M$  and some constant vector  $C$ . A submanifold  $M$  of a pseudo-Euclidean space  $\mathbb{E}_s^m$  is said to have pointwise 1-type Gauss map if its Gauss map satisfies (1) for some smooth function  $f$  on  $M$  and some constant vector  $C$ . A submanifold with pointwise 1-type Gauss map is said to be of the first kind if the vector  $C$  in (1) is zero vector. Otherwise, the pointwise 1-type Gauss map is said to be of the second kind.

Surfaces in Euclidean space and in pseudo-Euclidean space with pointwise 1-type Gauss map were recently studied in [5], [7], [8], [9], [11], [12], [13], [14], [15], [17], [18]. Also Dursun and Turgay in [10] gave all general rotational surfaces in  $\mathbb{E}^4$  with proper pointwise 1-type Gauss map of the first kind and classified minimal rotational surfaces with proper pointwise 1-type Gauss map of the second kind. Arslan et al. in [2] investigated rotational embedded surface with pointwise 1-type Gauss map. Arslan et al. in [3] gave necessary and sufficient conditions for Vranceanu rotation surface to have pointwise 1-type Gauss map. Yoon in [20] showed that flat Vranceanu rotation surface with pointwise 1-type Gauss map is a Clifford torus and in [19] studied rotation surfaces in the 4-dimensional Euclidean space with finite type Gauss map. Kim and Yoon in [16] obtained the complete classification theorems for the flat rotation surfaces with finite type Gauss map and pointwise 1-type Gauss map. The authors in [1] studied flat general rotational surfaces in the 4-dimensional Euclidean space  $\mathbb{E}^4$  with pointwise 1-type Gauss map and they showed that a non-planar flat general rotational surfaces with pointwise 1-type Gauss map is a Lie group if and only if it is a Clifford Torus.

In this paper, we study general rotational surfaces in the 4-dimensional pseudo-Euclidean space  $\mathbb{E}_2^4$  and obtain a characterization for flat general rotation surfaces with pointwise 1-type Gauss map and give an example of such surfaces.

## 2 Preliminaries

Let  $E_s^m$  be the  $m$ -dimensional pseudo-Euclidean space with signature  $(s, m-s)$ . Then the metric tensor  $g$  in  $E_s^m$  has the form

$$g = \sum_{i=1}^{m-s} (dx_i)^2 - \sum_{i=m-s+1}^m (dx_i)^2$$

where  $(x_1, \dots, x_m)$  is a standard rectangular coordinate system in  $E_s^m$ .

Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional pseudo-Riemannian submanifold of a  $m$ -dimensional pseudo-Euclidean space  $\mathbb{E}_s^m$ . We denote Levi-Civita connections of  $\mathbb{E}_s^m$  and  $M$  by  $\tilde{\nabla}$  and  $\nabla$ , respectively. Let  $e_1, \dots, e_n, e_{n+1}, \dots, e_m$  be an adapted local orthonormal frame in  $\mathbb{E}_s^m$  such that  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  are tangent to  $M$  and  $e_{n+1}, \dots, e_m$  normal to

$M$ . We use the following convention on the ranges of indices:  $1 \leq i, j, k, \dots \leq n$ ,  $n+1 \leq r, s, t, \dots \leq m$ ,  $1 \leq A, B, C, \dots \leq m$ .

Let  $\omega_A$  be the dual-1 form of  $e_A$  defined by  $\omega_A(X) = \langle e_A, X \rangle$  and  $\varepsilon_A = \langle e_A, e_A \rangle = \pm 1$ . Also, the connection forms  $\omega_{AB}$  are defined by

$$de_A = \sum_B \varepsilon_B \omega_{AB} e_B, \quad \omega_{AB} + \omega_{BA} = 0$$

Then we have

$$\tilde{\nabla}_{e_k}^{e_i} = \sum_{j=1}^n \varepsilon_j \omega_{ij}(e_k) e_j + \sum_{r=n+1}^m \varepsilon_r h_{ik}^r e_r \quad (2)$$

and

$$\tilde{\nabla}_{e_k}^{e_s} = - \sum_{j=1}^n \varepsilon_j h_{kj}^s e_j + \sum_{r=n+1}^m \varepsilon_r \omega_{sr}(e_k) e_r, \quad D_{e_k}^{e_s} = \sum_{r=n+1}^m \omega_{sr}(e_k) e_r, \quad (3)$$

where  $D$  is the normal connection,  $h_{ik}^r$  the coefficients of the second fundamental form  $h$ .

If we define a covariant differentiation  $\tilde{\nabla}h$  of the second fundamental form  $h$  on the direct sum of the tangent bundle and the normal bundle  $TM \oplus T^\perp M$  of  $M$  by

$$(\tilde{\nabla}_X h)(Y, Z) = D_X h(Y, Z) - h(\nabla_X Y, Z) - h(Y, \nabla_X Z)$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  tangent to  $M$ . Then we have the Codazzi equation

$$(\tilde{\nabla}_X h)(Y, Z) = (\tilde{\nabla}_Y h)(X, Z) \quad (4)$$

and the Gauss equation is given by

$$\langle R(X, Y)Z, W \rangle = \langle h(X, W), h(Y, Z) \rangle - \langle h(X, Z), h(Y, W) \rangle \quad (5)$$

where the vectors  $X, Y, Z$  and  $W$  are tangent to  $M$  and  $R$  is the curvature tensor associated with  $\nabla$ . The curvature tensor  $R$  associated with  $\nabla$  is defined by

$$R(X, Y)Z = \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_{[X, Y]} Z.$$

For any real function  $f$  on  $M$  the Laplacian  $\Delta f$  of  $f$  is given by

$$\Delta f = - \sum_i \left( \tilde{\nabla}_{e_i} \tilde{\nabla}_{e_i} f - \tilde{\nabla}_{\nabla_{e_i}^{e_i}} f \right) \quad (6)$$

Let us now define the Gauss map  $G$  of a submanifold  $M$  into  $G(n, m)$  in  $\wedge^n \mathbb{E}_s^m$ , where  $G(n, m)$  is the Grassmannian manifold consisting of all oriented  $n$ -planes through the origin of  $\mathbb{E}_s^m$  and  $\wedge^n \mathbb{E}_s^m$  is the vector space obtained by the exterior product of  $n$  vectors in  $\mathbb{E}_s^m$ . Let  $e_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge e_{i_n}$  and  $f_{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge f_{j_n}$  be two vectors of

$\wedge^n \mathbb{E}_s^m$ , where  $\{e_1, \dots, e_m\}$  and  $\{f_1, \dots, f_m\}$  are orthonormal bases of  $\mathbb{E}_s^m$ . Define an indefinite inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  on  $\wedge^n \mathbb{E}_s^m$  by

$$\langle e_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge e_{i_n}, f_{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge f_{j_n} \rangle = \det(\langle e_{i_l}, f_{j_k} \rangle).$$

Therefore, for some positive integer  $t$ , we may identify  $\wedge^n \mathbb{E}_s^m$  with some Euclidean space  $\mathbb{E}_t^N$  where  $N = \binom{m}{n}$ . The map  $G : M \rightarrow G(n, m) \subset E_k^N$  defined by  $G(p) = (e_1 \wedge \dots \wedge e_n)(p)$  is called the Gauss map of  $M$ , that is, a smooth map which carries a point  $p$  in  $M$  into the oriented  $n$ -plane in  $\mathbb{E}_s^m$  obtained from parallel translation of the tangent space of  $M$  at  $p$  in  $\mathbb{E}_s^m$ .

### 3 Flat Rotation Surfaces with Pointwise 1-Type Gauss Map in $E_2^4$

In this section, we study the flat rotation surfaces with pointwise 1-type Gauss map in the 4-dimensional pseudo-Euclidean space  $E_2^4$ . Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be the rotation surfaces in  $E_2^4$  defined by

$$\varphi(t, s) = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh t & 0 & 0 & \sinh t \\ 0 & \cosh t & \sinh t & 0 \\ 0 & \sinh t & \cosh t & 0 \\ \sinh t & 0 & 0 & \cosh t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ x(s) \\ 0 \\ y(s) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$M_1 : \varphi(t, s) = (y(s) \sinh t, x(s) \cosh t, x(s) \sinh t, y(s) \cosh t) \quad (7)$$

and

$$\varphi(t, s) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t & 0 & 0 \\ \sin t & \cos t & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos t & -\sin t \\ 0 & 0 & \sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x(s) \\ 0 \\ y(s) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M_2 : \varphi(t, s) = (x(s) \cos t, x(s) \sin t, y(s) \cos t, y(s) \sin t) \quad (8)$$

where the profile curve of  $M_1$  (resp. the profile curve of  $M_2$ ) is unit speed curve, that is,  $(x'(s))^2 - (y'(s))^2 = 1$ . We choose a moving frame  $e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4$  such that  $e_1, e_2$  are tangent to  $M_1$  and  $e_3, e_4$  are normal to  $M_1$  and choose a moving frame  $\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{e}_4$  such that  $\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2$  are tangent to  $M_2$  and  $\bar{e}_3, \bar{e}_4$  are normal to  $M_2$  which are given by the following:

$$\begin{aligned} e_1 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 (y^2(s) - x^2(s))}} (y(s) \cosh t, x(s) \sinh t, x(s) \cosh t, y(s) \sinh t) \\ e_2 &= (y'(s) \sinh t, x'(s) \cosh t, x'(s) \sinh t, y'(s) \cosh t) \\ e_3 &= (x'(s) \sinh t, y'(s) \cosh t, y'(s) \sinh t, x'(s) \cosh t) \\ e_4 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 (y^2(s) - x^2(s))}} (x(s) \cosh t, y(s) \sinh t, y(s) \cosh t, x(s) \sinh t) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{e}_1 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1(y^2(s) - x^2(s))}}(-x(s)\sin t, x(s)\cos t, -y(s)\sin t, y(s)\cos t) \\
\bar{e}_2 &= (x'(s)\cos t, x'(s)\sin t, y'(s)\cos t, y'(s)\sin t) \\
\bar{e}_3 &= (y'(s)\cos t, y'(s)\sin t, x'(s)\cos t, x'(s)\sin t) \\
\bar{e}_4 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1(y^2(s) - x^2(s))}}(y(s)\sin t, -y(s)\cos t, x(s)\sin t, -x(s)\cos t)
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\varepsilon_1(y^2(s) - x^2(s)) > 0$ ,  $\varepsilon_1 = \pm 1$ . Then it is easily seen that

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle e_1, e_1 \rangle &= -\langle e_4, e_4 \rangle = \varepsilon_1, \quad \langle e_2, e_2 \rangle = -\langle e_3, e_3 \rangle = 1 \\
-\langle \bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_1 \rangle &= \langle \bar{e}_4, \bar{e}_4 \rangle = \varepsilon_1, \quad \langle \bar{e}_2, \bar{e}_2 \rangle = -\langle \bar{e}_3, \bar{e}_3 \rangle = 1
\end{aligned}$$

we have the dual 1-forms as:

$$\omega_1 = \varepsilon_1 \sqrt{\varepsilon_1(y^2(s) - x^2(s))} dt \quad \text{and} \quad \omega_2 = ds \quad (9)$$

and

$$\bar{\omega}_1 = -\varepsilon_1 \sqrt{\varepsilon_1(y^2(s) - x^2(s))} dt \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\omega}_2 = ds \quad (10)$$

By a direct computation we have components of the second fundamental form and the connection forms as:

$$\begin{aligned}
h_{11}^3 &= b(s), \quad h_{12}^3 = 0, \quad h_{22}^3 = c(s) \\
h_{11}^4 &= 0, \quad h_{12}^4 = b(s), \quad h_{22}^4 = 0
\end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{h}_{11}^3 &= -b(s), \quad \bar{h}_{12}^3 = 0, \quad \bar{h}_{22}^3 = c(s) \\
\bar{h}_{11}^4 &= 0, \quad \bar{h}_{12}^4 = b(s), \quad \bar{h}_{22}^4 = 0
\end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\omega_{12} &= \varepsilon_1 a(s) \omega_1, \quad \omega_{13} = \varepsilon_1 b(s) \omega_1, \quad \omega_{14} = b(s) \omega_2 \\
\omega_{23} &= c(s) \omega_2, \quad \omega_{24} = \varepsilon_1 b(s) \omega_1, \quad \omega_{34} = \varepsilon_1 a(s) \omega_1
\end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{\omega}_{12} &= \varepsilon_1 a(s) \bar{\omega}_1, \quad \bar{\omega}_{13} = \varepsilon_1 b(s) \bar{\omega}_1, \quad \bar{\omega}_{14} = b(s) \bar{\omega}_2 \\
\bar{\omega}_{23} &= c(s) \bar{\omega}_2, \quad \bar{\omega}_{24} = -\varepsilon_1 b(s) \bar{\omega}_1, \quad \bar{\omega}_{34} = -\varepsilon_1 a(s) \bar{\omega}_1
\end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

By covariant differentiation with respect to  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  (resp.  $\bar{e}_1$  and  $\bar{e}_2$ ) a straightforward calculation gives:

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\nabla}_{e_1} e_1 &= a(s) e_2 - b(s) e_3 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{e_2} e_1 &= -\varepsilon_1 b(s) e_4 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{e_1} e_2 &= -\varepsilon_1 a(s) e_1 - \varepsilon_1 b(s) e_4 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{e_2} e_2 &= -c(s) e_3 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{e_1} e_3 &= -\varepsilon_1 b(s) e_1 - \varepsilon_1 a(s) e_4 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{e_2} e_3 &= -c(s) e_2 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{e_1} e_4 &= -b(s) e_2 + a(s) e_3 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{e_2} e_4 &= -\varepsilon_1 b(s) e_1
\end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{e}_1} \bar{e}_1 &= -a(s)\bar{e}_2 + b(s)\bar{e}_3 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{e}_2} \bar{e}_1 &= \varepsilon_1 b(s)\bar{e}_4 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{e}_1} \bar{e}_2 &= -\varepsilon_1 a(s)\bar{e}_1 + \varepsilon_1 b(s)\bar{e}_4 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{e}_2} \bar{e}_2 &= -c(s)\bar{e}_3 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{e}_1} e_3 &= -\varepsilon_1 b(s)\bar{e}_1 + \varepsilon_1 a(s)\bar{e}_4 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{e}_2} e_3 &= -c(s)\bar{e}_2 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{e}_1} e_4 &= -b(s)\bar{e}_2 + a(s)\bar{e}_3 \\
\tilde{\nabla}_{\bar{e}_2} e_4 &= \varepsilon_1 b(s)\bar{e}_1
\end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

where

$$a(s) = \frac{x(s)x'(s) - y(s)y'(s)}{\varepsilon_1 (y^2(s) - x^2(s))} \tag{17}$$

$$b(s) = \frac{x(s)y'(s) - x'(s)y(s)}{\varepsilon_1 (y^2(s) - x^2(s))} \tag{18}$$

$$c(s) = x''(s)y'(s) - x'(s)y''(s) \tag{19}$$

The Gaussian curvature  $K$  of  $M_1$  and  $\bar{K}$  that of  $M_2$  are respectively given by

$$K = \varepsilon_1 b^2(s) - b(s)c(s) \tag{20}$$

and

$$\bar{K} = b(s)c(s) - \varepsilon_1 b^2(s) \tag{21}$$

If the surfaces  $M_1$  or  $M_2$  is flat, then (20) and (21) imply

$$b(s)c(s) - b^2(s) = 0. \tag{22}$$

Furthermore, after some computations we obtain Gauss and Codazzi equations for both surfaces  $M_1$  and  $M_2$

$$\varepsilon_1 a^2(s) - a'(s) = b(s)c(s) - \varepsilon_1 b^2(s) \tag{23}$$

and

$$b'(s) = 2\varepsilon_1 a(s)b(s) - a(s)c(s) \tag{24}$$

respectively.

By using (6), (15), (16) and straight-forward computation, the Laplacians  $\Delta G$  and  $\Delta \bar{G}$  of the Gauss map  $G$  and  $\bar{G}$  can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta G &= - (3b^2(s) + c^2(s)) (e_1 \wedge e_2) + (2a(s)b(s) - \varepsilon_1 a(s)c(s) + c'(s)) (e_1 \wedge e_3) \\
&\quad + (3a(s)b(s) - \varepsilon_1 b'(s)) (e_2 \wedge e_4) + 2 (\varepsilon_1 b(s)c(s) - b^2(s)) (e_3 \wedge e_4)
\end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta \bar{G} = & - (3b^2(s) + c^2(s)) (e_1 \wedge e_2) + (2a(s)b(s) - \varepsilon_1 a(s)c(s) + c'(s)) (e_1 \wedge e_3) \\ & + (-3a(s)b(s) + \varepsilon_1 b'(s)) (e_2 \wedge e_4) + 2(b^2(s) - \varepsilon_1 b(s)c(s)) (e_3 \wedge e_4)\end{aligned}\quad (26)$$

Now we investigate the flat rotation surfaces in  $E_2^4$  with the pointwise 1-type Gauss map satisfying (1).

Suppose that the rotation surface  $M_1$  given by the parametrization (7) is a flat rotation surface. From (20), we obtain that  $b(s) = 0$  or  $\varepsilon_1 b(s) - c(s) = 0$ . We assume that  $\varepsilon_1 b(s) - c(s) \neq 0$ . Then  $b(s)$  is equal to zero and (24) implies that  $a(s)c(s) = 0$ . Since  $\varepsilon_1 b(s) - c(s) \neq 0$ , it implies that  $c(s)$  is not equal to zero. Then we obtain as  $a(s) = 0$ . In that case, by using (17) and (18) we obtain that  $\alpha(s) = (0, x(s), 0, y(s))$  is a constant vector. This is a contradiction. Therefore  $\varepsilon_1 b(s) = c(s)$  for all  $s$ . From (14), we get

$$\varepsilon_1 a^2(s) - a'(s) = 0 \quad (27)$$

whose the trivial solution and non-trivial solution

$$a(s) = 0$$

and

$$a(s) = \frac{1}{-\varepsilon_1 s + c},$$

respectively. We assume that  $a(s) = 0$ . By (24)  $b = b_0$  is a constant and  $c = \varepsilon_1 b_0$ . In that case by using (17), (18) and (19),  $x$  and  $y$  satisfy the following differential equations

$$x^2(s) - y^2(s) = \mu \quad \mu \text{ is a constant,} \quad (28)$$

$$x(s)y'(s) - x'(s)y(s) = -\varepsilon_1 b_0 \mu, \quad (29)$$

$$x''y'(s) - x'(s)y'' = \varepsilon_1 b_0. \quad (30)$$

From (28) we may put

$$x(s) = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon (\mu_2 e^{\theta(s)} + \mu_1 e^{-\theta(s)}), \quad y(s) = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon (\mu_2 e^{\theta(s)} - \mu_1 e^{-\theta(s)}), \quad (31)$$

where  $\theta(s)$  is some smooth function,  $\varepsilon = \pm 1$  and  $\mu = \mu_1 \mu_2$ . Differentiating (31) with respect to  $s$ , we have

$$x'(s) = \theta'(s)y(s), \quad y'(s) = \theta'(s)x(s) \quad (32)$$

By substituting (31) and (32) into (19), we get

$$\theta(s) = -\varepsilon_1 b_0 s + d, \quad d = \text{const.}$$

And since the curve  $\alpha$  is a unit speed curve, we have

$$b_0^2 \mu = -1.$$

Since  $\mu = -\frac{1}{b_0^2}$ ,  $y^2(s) - x^2(s) > 0$ . In that case we obtain that  $\varepsilon_1 = 1$ . Then we can write components of the curve  $\alpha$  as:

$$\begin{aligned} x(s) &= \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon (\mu_2 e^{(-b_0 s+d)} + \mu_1 e^{(-b_0 s+d)}) , \\ y(s) &= \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon (\mu_2 e^{(-b_0 s+d)} - \mu_1 e^{(-b_0 s+d)}) , \quad \mu_1\mu_2 = -\frac{1}{b_0^2} \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

On the other hand, by using (25) we can rewrite the Laplacian of the Gauss map  $G$  with  $a(s) = 0$  and  $b = c = b_0$  as follows:

$$\Delta G = -4b_0^2 (e_1 \wedge e_2)$$

that is, the flat surface  $M$  is pointwise 1-type Gauss map with the function  $f = 4b_0^2$  and  $C = 0$ . Even if it is a pointwise 1-type Gauss map of the first kind.

Now we assume that  $a(s) = \frac{1}{-\varepsilon_1 s + c}$ . By using  $c(s) = \varepsilon_1 b(s)$  and (24) we get

$$b'(s) = \varepsilon_1 a(s) b(s) \quad (34)$$

or we can write

$$\frac{b'(s)}{b(s)} = \frac{\varepsilon_1}{-\varepsilon_1 s + c},$$

whose the solution

$$b(s) = \frac{\lambda}{|-\varepsilon_1 s + c|}, \quad \lambda \text{ is a constant.} \quad (35)$$

By using (25) we can rewrite the Laplacian of the Gauss map  $G$  with the equations  $c(s) = \varepsilon_1 b(s)$ ,  $b'(s) = \varepsilon_1 a(s) b(s)$  and  $a'(s) = \varepsilon_1 a^2(s)$

$$\Delta G = -4b^2(s) (e_1 \wedge e_2) + 2a(s)b(s) (e_1 \wedge e_3) + 2a(s)b(s) (e_2 \wedge e_4). \quad (36)$$

We suppose that the flat rotational surface  $M_1$  has pointwise 1-type Gauss map. From (1) and (36), we get

$$-4\varepsilon_1 b^2(s) = f\varepsilon_1 + f \langle C, e_1 \wedge e_2 \rangle \quad (37)$$

$$-2\varepsilon_1 a(s)b(s) = f \langle C, e_1 \wedge e_3 \rangle \quad (38)$$

$$-2\varepsilon_1 a(s)b(s) = f \langle C, e_2 \wedge e_4 \rangle \quad (39)$$

Then, we have

$$\langle C, e_1 \wedge e_4 \rangle = 0, \quad \langle C, e_2 \wedge e_3 \rangle = 0, \quad \langle C, e_3 \wedge e_4 \rangle = 0 \quad (40)$$

By using (38) and (39) we obtain

$$\langle C, e_1 \wedge e_3 \rangle = \langle C, e_2 \wedge e_4 \rangle \quad (41)$$

By differentiating the first equation in (41) with respect to  $e_1$  and by using the third equation in (41) and (42), we get

$$2a(s) \langle C, e_1 \wedge e_3 \rangle - b(s) \langle C, e_1 \wedge e_2 \rangle = 0 \quad (42)$$

Combining (38), (39) and (42) we then have

$$f = 4(a^2(s) - b^2(s))$$

that is, a smooth function  $f$  depends only on  $s$ . By differentiating  $f$  with respect to  $s$  and by using (35) and (27), we get

$$f' = 2\varepsilon_1 a(s) f \quad (43)$$

By differentiating (38) with respect to  $s$  and by using (15), (27), (35), (36) and (37) we have

$$a^2 b = 0$$

or from (35) we can write

$$\lambda a^3 = 0$$

Since  $a(s) \neq 0$ , it follows that  $\lambda = 0$ . Then we obtain that  $b = c = 0$ . Then the surface  $M_1$  is a part of plane.

Thus we can give the following theorems.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $M_1$  be the flat rotation surface given by the parametrization (7). Then  $M_1$  has pointwise 1-type Gauss map if and only if  $M$  is either totally geodesic or parametrized by*

$$\varphi(t, s) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon(\mu_2 e^{(-b_0 s+d)} - \mu_1 e^{(-b_0 s+d)}) \sinh t, \\ \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon(\mu_2 e^{(-b_0 s+d)} + \mu_1 e^{(-b_0 s+d)}) \cosh t, \\ \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon(\mu_2 e^{(-b_0 s+d)} + \mu_1 e^{(-b_0 s+d)}) \sinh t, \\ \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon(\mu_2 e^{(-b_0 s+d)} - \mu_1 e^{(-b_0 s+d)}) \cosh t \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mu_1 \mu_2 = -\frac{1}{b_0^2} \quad (44)$$

where  $b_0$ ,  $\mu_1$ ,  $\mu_2$  and  $d$  are real constants.

**Example 1.** *Let  $M_1$  be the flat rotation surface with pointwise 1-type Gauss map given by the parametrization (44). If we take as  $b_0 = -1$ ,  $\mu_1 = -1$ ,  $\mu_2 = 1$ ,  $d = 0$  and  $\varepsilon = 1$ , then we obtain a surface as follows:*

$$\varphi(t, s) = (\cosh s \sinh t, \sinh s \cosh t, \sinh s \sinh t, \cosh s \cosh t).$$

*This surface is the product of two plane hyperbolas.*

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $M_2$  be the flat rotation surface given by the parametrization (8). Then  $M_2$  has pointwise 1-type Gauss map if and only if  $M_2$  is either totally geodesic or parametrized by*

$$\varphi(t, s) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon(\mu_2 e^{(-b_0 s+d)} + \mu_1 e^{(-b_0 s+d)}) \cos t, \\ \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon(\mu_2 e^{(-b_0 s+d)} + \mu_1 e^{(-b_0 s+d)}) \sin t, \\ \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon(\mu_2 e^{(-b_0 s+d)} - \mu_1 e^{(-b_0 s+d)}) \cos t, \\ \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon(\mu_2 e^{(-b_0 s+d)} - \mu_1 e^{(-b_0 s+d)}) \sin t \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mu_1 \mu_2 = -\frac{1}{b_0^2} \quad (45)$$

**Example 2.** Let  $M_1$  be the flat rotation surface with pointwise 1-type Gauss map given by the parametrization (44). If we take as  $b_0 = -1$ ,  $\mu_1 = -1$ ,  $\mu_2 = 1$ ,  $d = 0$  and  $\varepsilon = 1$ , then we obtain a surface as follows:

$$\varphi(t, s) = \varphi(t, s) = (\cosh s \cos t, \cosh s \sin t, \cosh s \cos t, \cosh s \sin t).$$

This surface is the product of a plane circle and a plane hyperbola.

**Corollary 1.** Let  $M$  be flat general rotation surface given by the parametrization (7) or (8). If  $M$  has pointwise 1-type Gauss map then the Gauss map  $G$  on  $M$  is of 1-type.

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